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CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT.

Hon. A. F. Gerald Has Resigned
From P. K. & Y. Road.

Supt. W. G. Meloon Will Succeed Mr.
Gerald At Once.

New Ferryboat To Take The Place
Of Newmarch Ordered.

Hon. A. F. Gerald of Fairfield, Me., has resigned as general manager of the Portsmouth, Kittery & York Street Railway company and W. G. Meloon, who since the road was opened has been its superintendent has been unanimously elected to succeed Mr. Gerald.

The reason for Mr. Gerald's resignation was that the gigantic electric railroad interests with which he is connected in the state of Maine demands his whole attention and that he felt that to continue at the head of the Kittery and York road would simply be in the nature of a figure head.

Mr. Meloon will continue to act as superintendent with the additional duties and there will be no change in the policy of the line. Mr. Meloon's selection to succeed the able Mr. Gerald is a natural consequence when the excellent service of the former is considered.

A new ferryboat to take the place of the Newmarch will be ordered at once.

Several good boats have been examined with a view to purchasing, but no decision has yet been reached in regard to the selection of a craft to prove valuable on the Piscataqua river, yet it is understood that a much better boat than the Newmarch will be used here to meet the demands of the heavy travel the larger part of the year.

OPENED TO PACKED HOUSE.

Last evening, for the second time this season, the Opera house was packed to suffocation and Manager Sutherland was forced to stop selling tickets and turn people away. It was one of the biggest audiences ever seen at an entertainment of any kind in Biddeford and it was just as enthusiastic as big.

The attraction was the Jessie Harcourt company, which opened a week's engagement, and every man and woman who went to the Opera house with anticipations of a performance far above the ordinary in merit could not have felt a whit disappointed with what was provided.

In fact, judging from the applause, the comments made as the audience was leaving the hall at the close, the performance gave the greatest satisfaction and at the very start the company gained the hearty good will of the show going people of the two cities and made a reputation for itself that is bound to win new friends during the remainder of the week as well as retain the ones made last evening.

Mrs. Harcourt is no stranger to a Biddeford audience and her work last night showed that she has lost none of her ability as an actress and her power to please.

The company carries its own orchestra and its playing was a vastly enjoyable feature of the performance. Between the acts there were specialties that easily won the favor of the big audience and elicited storms of applause.

A great feature last evening was the picture machine, which is far and away the best even seen in this city and which is alone worth the price of the best seat in the house.—Biddeford Record.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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HONORS FOR HICHBORN.

The Rear Admiral to Head Three Naval Bureaus.

Rear Admiral Philip Hichborn is to be made one of the most important factors in the future greater navy of the United States. He is to become the head of a bureau which will have exclusive control of construction and repair, equipping, and engineering. A bill to this effect will be sent to Congress at an early day by Secretary Long.

This bill will, practically, abolish the bureaus of steam engineering and equipment as independent bureaus, and will give over their control to Admiral Hichborn, who is now chief of construction and repair. The present heads of the bureaus of equipment and engineering will either go back to the line or will have other duty till their retirement occurs.

This resolution of the secretary of the navy will put an end to the disagreements among chiefs, the only effect of which has been delay and a lack of coherence in the construction of some of the vessels of the navy. Admiral Hichborn is regarded as the foremost naval constructor in the United States; he has been the vital force in the plans for new ships and modification of old types, and has also been a factor in the suggestion of the three armored cruisers lately asked for by Secretary Long and which ships are to be the most powerful cruisers in the world.

The bill for the consolidation of the bureau will undoubtedly be fought vigorously by the old line element, but it is equally without doubt, considering the recommendation of Secretary Long, that the bill will go through.

If the opponents of the bill cannot defeat it they will endeavor to have a line officer designated as the head of the consolidated bureaus.—Washington Times, Dec. 6.

PROBATE COURT.

The following business was transacted at the session of probate court for the week ending Dec. 6th:

Wills Proved.—Of Abby E. McIntire, Exeter; Henry E. McIntire, Brooklyn, N. Y., executors; Mary E. Jenness, Portsmouth, Calvin Page and John J. Pickering, executors; Luther Farrington, Newton; Otis N. Rollins, Northwood.

Foreign Will Filed.—Of Abigail H. Simpson, Lowell, Mass.

Administration Granted.—In estates of Lowell F. Merrill, Hampton Falls; George L. Merrill, administrator; John W. Fogg, Seabrook; Mary E. Fogg, administratrix; John W. Pettengill, Atkinson; Ella F. Pettengill, administratrix; Frank Demain, Danville, Clara De main, administratrix; Katherine L. Fernald, Portsmouth; George W. Fernald, administrator; William Cockburn, Hampton Falls; Charles T. Brown, administrator; William L. Dwight, Portsmouth; Susan D. Yates, administratrix; Betsey J. Anderson, Portsmouth; Albert C. and Howard Anderson, administrators.

Accounts Settled.—In estates of Abigail D. Fullerton, Raymond; John H. Winslow, Raymond; Ellen A. Brackett, Portsmouth; William B. Willey, Northwood; Richard Taylor, North Hampton.

Inventories Filed.—In estate of Joseph A. Dearborn, Hampton.

Adoptions.—Wilbur Irving Shute by Irving and Mabel L. Fay, Derry, named changed to Wilbur Irving Fay; Bertha H. Bunker by Frank and Almira P. Keyes, North Hampton, name changed to Bertha H. Keyes.

Guardian Appointed.—Albert Bachelder over Nellie J., Caroline C. and Mary L. Bachelder, North Hampton; Charles W. Holmes over Lucy L. Holmes, Portsmouth; E. Scott Owen over Forrest F. Owen, Portsmouth.

REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCES.

Following are some of the conveyances of real estate in the county of Rockingham for the week ending Dec. 6th, as recorded in the registry of deeds:

Portsmouth—Sugden Brothers to T. Frank Keane, land, \$1; last grantee to Sidney P. Truman, land, \$1; Robert H. Hill to Lillie J. Philbrick, land on Richards avenue, \$1; last grantee to last grantor, land on Richards avenue, \$1.

Stratham—Nelson M. Tucker, Executor, to Clarence L. Cheever, land and buildings, \$100; Charles P. Haberstroh, Framingham, Mass., to Asa L. Mason, rights in two tracts of land and buildings, \$75.

North Hampton—Sarah A. Romick, Executor, to Boston and Maine railroad, land, \$107.

GREENLAND.

GREENLAND, Dec. 9.

Quite a lively and interesting sporting exhibition occurred between two boys near the residence of Hon. J. S. H. Fink last evening and for a few moments it was hard to decide which of the two would have the better of the mill, but the younger at last claimed the decision and went on his way challenging any and all comers of his class. It is judged that his class should be of the very lightest nautical weight.

The 5:31 p. m. train on the Southern division of the Boston & Maine railroad was delayed at this station quite a few moments last evening, caused by an exceedingly long freight train which made it impossible for the passenger train to pass by.

It is believed that the man here who had nerve enough to predict another severe snow storm like the one of November, 1898, should embark for the Philippines or some other warm climate for he is more than dangerous to have strolling around.

Several of the young people of this town are talking of attending the Jessie Harcourt Repertoire company in Portsmouth next week.

It is hoped that some one will start an entertainment to be held in the town hall some evening during the holiday week.

Bertha Vaughan of Portsmouth is visiting friends in this town.

Lettie W. Holmes who has been caring for a patient the past few weeks, returned home yesterday.

Laura Ordway was a visitor in Portsmouth yesterday.

Mrs. William McIntire was in Portsmouth yesterday morning.

An unusually large amount of brewery grates was hauled through this town by neighboring farmers yesterday.

Richard Fay, traveling salesman for Timothy Gay Co. of Boston, was in town yesterday.

NAVAL ORDERS.

Assistant Surgeon R. K. McClanahan to navy yard, Washington; Assistant Surgeon Wm. Garten from navy yard, Washington, to the New York; Assistant Surgeon D. N. Carpenter to the navy yard, Boston.

Capt. A. S. Snow to command the New York, Dec. 12; Capt. F. E. Chadwick, detached from command of the New York Dec. 12; home and wait orders.

Chief Boatswain W. Anderson, detached from the New York navy yard and to command coal barge, No. 2, Dec. 14.

Chief Boatswain J. J. Killen, detached from the Wash and to command coal barge No. 1, Dec. 14.

Acting Warrant Machinist E. I. Lutten to the Vermont.

Lieut. W. Sterling, Jr., detached from the Scindia on arrival in Asiatic station and to such duty as Commander-in-Chief may assign.

These changes of officers on the Asiatic station have been made by Rear Admiral Watson. Acting Warrant Machinist A. G. Bates, from the Newark to the Oregon; Ensign E. C. Wettingill, from the Charleston to the Manila; Boatswain D. Glyn, from the Charleston to the Oregon; Ensign A. Kautz, from the Petrel to the Calamianes; Lieut. J. M. Luby, from the Bennington to the Paauy; Naval Cadet P. B. Dunagan, from the Bennington to the Paauy; Naval Cadet C. E. Morgan, from the Bennington to the Calamianes; Ensign W. C. Asserson, from the Mindoro to the Baltimore; Acting Warrant Machinist C. Hammond, from the Concord to the Monterey; Acting Boatswain A. Bettig, from the Oregon to the Monterey; Commander F. P. Gilmore, to command the Isle de Cuba.

COMPANY A DRILLS

Company A held a largely attended drill at the armory on Court street, Friday evening, and during the drill the place seemed one of activity and renewed interest on the part of the members. Captain White is making every effort possible to maintain the organization and it looks now as though he would be successful.

AT THE ADVENT CHURCH.

Elder Mielt of the Center Street church, Concord, will again occupy the pulpit of the Advent Christian church, Sunday. Afternoon subject, "Christ, the Good Shepherd." In the evening he will give his experiences, relating his conversion from Romanism to Christ. He is an interesting speaker. Come and hear him.

FROM THE MARKETS.

Poultry Trade Slumped Since Christmas, With Lower Prices.

In spite of the activity at the present time in the local markets, trade in poultry and game has taken quite a slump since Thanksgiving, but it is expected to boom again just before Christmas, when prices will in all likelihood be just a little cheaper than they are now.

At present there is more call for game than poultry. Merchants say all kinds of game are coming, in very good condition, more especially the various wild ducks, and they are reasonable in price. The first of the new year will see the end of the partridge season, and it is announced throughout the market among merchants in the trade that they were never so short in stock as they have been this season.

Venison is not as plentiful as it was recently but prices are lower. Turkeys are now coming to the market rather slow, but those from the north show continued improved quality. They are a little cheaper this week.

Butter is two cents higher in the pound this week than last. It is quoted at 32, 30 and 28 cents a pound. A well-known salesman told a Market street dealer that fresh made butter has not commanded such high prices for nine years. He says the high prices are attributed to the drought which prevailed last summer throughout the butter section of the country.

Cheese is quoted at the prices of the last three weeks, and dealers believe it will not be any higher.

In eggs prices are unchanged. Fresh eggs are very short in stock. Those from the refrigerator show very poor condition. It is stated that the grade was unusually poor when they were sent to the cold storage house.

Fish dealers are complaining this week. They say that nearly all kinds of fish are scarce. Halibut never was so scarce and some costs as high as 40 cents a pound by the cargo. There is hardly enough cod in the market to meet the demand. Flounders are hard to get and fresh mackerel is wellnigh done for the season.

Lamb is 1 cent higher on the pound this week, while beef is the same as last week and the week before. There is very little veal in the market, and sweetbreads have not been so short in stock and high in price for several years. Mutton is of good quality at the same prices as last week. In work and ham trade has been good since Thanksgiving and ribs of pork advanced 1 cent since last Monday.

The various fruit and vegetable stalls contain the usual large variety for this time of year. Prices generally are quoted at the same figures as the last two weeks. Several articles are a little higher than last week, but none lower. Quince is almost out of the market. There is some nice hot-house asparagus for 50 and 60 cents a bunch. New York and California grapes are out of the market, and Florida strawberries are promised for Christmas.

Lettuce is 8 cents a head, radishes 5 cents a bunch, string beans 15 cents a quart, sweet potatoes 40 cents a peck, white potatoes 25 cents a peck, cranberries 10 cents a quart and cabbage and cucumbers each 10 cents a peck.

General prices given a Herald man on a visit to the different places today were:

Meats—Sirloin steak, 25 to 28c. lb., rump steak, 30c. lb., rib roast, 12 to 20c. lb., chuck roast, 9 to 12c. lb., fancy brisket, 12 to 13c. lb., other corned beef, 8 to 10c. lb., lamb, hind quarters, 11c. lb., sides, 10 to 11c. lb., fore quarters, 8c. lb., short chops, 25c. lb., mutton, whole, 9 to 10c. lb.

Poultry and game—Turkeys (good) 25c. lb., westerns, 14 to 15c. lb., Vermonts, 22c. lb., chickens, 20 to 22c. lb., fowl, 14 to 17c. lb., geese, 18 to 20c. lb., ducks, 17 to 18c. lb.

Butter cheese and eggs—Best creamery butter, 32c. lb., good creamery, 30c. lb., dairy, 28c. lb., best cheese, 18c. lb., good, 14c. lb., fresh eggs, 22c. doz., Cape, 30c. doz., nearby, 35c. doz.

Fruits and vegetables—Celery, 20c. bunch, lettuce 8c. head, chicory, 15c. head, radishes 5c. bunch, Brussels sprouts, 18c. quart, string beans, 15c. quart, oyster plant, 15c. bunch, now summer squash, 15c. piece, cauliflower, 20c. apiece, cranberries, 10c. quart, sweet potatoes, 40c. peck, white potatoes, 25c. peck, onions, 5c. quart, Spanish onions, 8c. lb., leeks, 8c. bunch, cabbage, 10c. apiece, cucumbers, 10c. apiece, quince, 1c. peck, tomatoes, 20c. lb., mushroom, 75c. lb., figs, 25c. lb., Jamaica oranges, 40c. doz., Florida oranges, 50c. doz., lemons, 25c. doz., asparagus, 50 to 60c. bunch, pineapples, 35 to 75c. apiece, apples, 40 to 75c. peck, pears, 50c. doz.

Fish—Cod, 8c. lb., haddock, 8c. lb., halibut, 20 to 25c. lb., flounders, 8c. lb., striped bass, 20 to 25c. lb., bluefish, 15c. lb., eels, 12 to 13c. lb., salmon, 30c. lb., mackerel, 15 to 25c. esch.

PERSONALS

J. Edward Pickering was in Dover on business, Friday.

John Dargin, an aged resident, is seriously ill at his home.

Judge Page acted as referee in a law case at Exeter on Friday.

Hon. Joseph O. Hobbs is to erect a large business block in North Hampton. Frank Robertson of Harvard college is the guest of friends in Kittery over Sunday.

H. W. Nickerson and family have moved into their new house on Miller avenue.

Dennis J. Lynch, driver of the hose wagon at the Central fire station, is on the sick list.

E. E. Chapin, New England manager of the American Press association, was in town on Friday.

Preston S. Cotton, private secretary for Civil Engineer Thompson of the Boston and Maine railroad, was in town Friday, the guest of friends.

Miss Alice Gerrish of the Granite State insurance office is enjoying a four months' leave of absence and Miss Alice Craig is substituting for her. She will pass a greater part of the winter in Philadelphia.

Mr. Samuel T. Drew will on Monday next resume his duties as foreman of the composing room of the Times, a position which he held for ten years previously to his acceptance of a situation in Manchester, a year ago.

POTOMAC IN COMMISSION.


The U. S. tug Potomac went into commission this afternoon at the navy yard and will be commanded by Lieut. B. B. McCormack, U. S. N. The crew arrived here this noon. The tug Piscataqua was taken out of the dry dock this forenoon.

WOMAN'S EXCHANGE.

Afternoon tea and sale at the Woman's Exchange, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 9. Free to all.

Women love a clear, healthy complexion. Pure blood makes it. Burdock Blood Bitters makes pure blood.

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FRANKLIN SHOE—Every pair guaranteed to give satisfaction. Franklin Shoes fit the feet, at the eye and at your point.

Men's Sizes.....\$9.00 | Boys' Sizes.....\$1.50 | Youth's Sizes.....\$2.00

5 MARKET STREET.

The Maid and the Miracle

Miss Lucy Tucker, the daughter of prominent farmer of Versailles, Ind., was the victim of a most serious case of St. Vitus' dance. It was a rural case which medical science failed to cure. Finally a doctor prescribed Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Her father said:

"We began giving the pills at once, and the next day we could see a change for the better in her. We gave her one pill after each meal until she was entirely well. She has not been sick a day since. We think the cure almost miraculous."

"FRANK TUCKER, Mrs. F. TUCKER," Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tucker, being duly sworn, state that the foregoing is true in every particular.

HUGH JOHNSON, Justice of the Peace. From the Republican, Versailles, Ind.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold by the dozen or hundred, but always in packages. At all druggists, or direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y. 50 cents per box, 6 boxes \$2.50.

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NEW PICKLES.

New Pickles now and grow this year. Just picked and made to suit the trade. As all who eat can tell you. In vinegar from apple juice, with sugar from the south. Taste like big water and their might. Until they fill their mouth. Don't miss and the children say. Do buy on Bartlett's Pickles. So nice and good with all our food. Pick, cake or hearty victuals. His Vinegar is ten years old. In color like to brandy. If once you try you will buy. It sells, then keep it handy.

—Editor, N. Y., August 1907.

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BOERS ARE AGGRESSIVE.

Contradictory Rumors About Ladysmith Attack.

GENERAL JOUBERT IS ILL.

Report That the Boers Were Defeated and Retreated—Most Contradictory Reports—How the Situation is Viewed in London—Kruger Anxious to Go to the Front.

London, Dec. 8.—While to a certain extent the attitude of suspense as to the two centres of ongoing interest, Ladysmith and Kimberley, continues, so far as Natal is concerned there are signs, faint but significant, that the tension is relaxing; that the inhabitants returning to Eastport are right when they declare that the tide of war has turned.

There are rumors that President Kruger is seriously alarmed about the possibilities of a British invasion of the Dutch Republic and is counselling the abandonment of the Ladysmith investment; that General Joubert is ill and has gone back across the frontier to recover; that there is illness and hunger in the Boer camps, and disaffection between the Transvaal and Free State bachelors growing out of a feeling that the Boers have been deceived and that the soldiers might be much more usefully employed in the defence of Bloemfontein.

The report of General Joubert being succeeded by Schalk Burger might mean a more vigorous campaign on the part of the Boers who have blamed Joubert for his caution. It lends color to the report that Ladysmith is to be assaulted, it may be taken for granted, however, that so long as Pieter camp remains quiescent it is tolerably certain that Ladysmith is not in very great straits. While there is communication between Pieter and Ladysmith by searchlights and runners, any advance for the relief of the latter place would mean very hard fighting, as it is known that the Boers have strongly fortified the hills between Ladysmith and Colenso.

Most contradictory reports are in circulation as to the movements of the Boers around Ladysmith. Despatches so late as Monday report large numbers of them to be retreating. It is said that a column four miles long has been seen departing. Another message on the same date places the Boers in great strength along the line of the Tugela. The fact that the Boers are not weakening in front of Kimberley is very important as showing their strength.

Definite news of General Methuen's advance has arrived. The Boers have been located by the Lanciers six miles to the north in a strong position. It is feared that Methuen will once more have to deliver a frontal attack. There are indications that the Boers in this quarter have been reinforced. Great efforts are being made to reduce Mafeking. An additional force, with heavy guns, has started to cooperate in the siege.

Hospital Wrecked.

Ladysmith, Dec. 8. (delayed in transmission). The Boer bombardment of Ladysmith, which is using thirty-two guns, the shells from which have smashed some of the British hospital, thrown down tents and killed horses. The garrison has suffered numerous casualties. There are now 207 sick and 25 wounded. One of the Boer's shrapnel shells penetrated the hospital and exploded, scattering its bullets among the patients.

Boers Bar Methuen's Path.

Kimberley, Dec. 8.—The Boers are massing in the Koppies, around Spynepoort. They are continually reinforced and are working hard piling up stones forming screens and digging rifle pits. The Boers have behaved well, even offering facilities for the change of the Boer Rhodesia employees. The natives in the construction of a siege avenue, which now stretches into the veldt. The enemy have not molested the laborers.

A Rumor Only.

London, Dec. 8.—A story was current at Durban Tuesday, December 3, to the effect that the Boers made what is thought to have been their final effort to capture Ladysmith on December 4 and were defeated and retreated. As the story was brought by runners it should be received with caution, as the unreliability of these "Kaffirgrams" is notorious.

Kruger Wants to Fight.

Lorenzo Marquez, Dec. 8.—President Kruger is anxious to go to the front, but is being dissuaded from the move by the Transvaal officials.

Both Wives Will Claim the Pension.

Springfield, O., Dec. 8.—Peter Pope, of Donnellville, who dropped dead on Tuesday evening, was buried Thursday afternoon. After his death a young man, claiming to be his son, demanded the body. An agreement was reached and the funeral was held. Both wives were at the funeral, accompanied by several children. Pope had not been living with Wife No. 1 and Wife No. 2 did not know of her existence. He recently was granted a large pension, and both will claim it.

Died in the Jury Box.

Oskosh, Wis., Dec. 8.—John Schalkkopf, a tinsmith drawn in the trial of John Campbell, of Rushford, for the murder of Alphonse Sarden, an old French hermit, died suddenly in court while sitting in the jury box. Apoplexy is thought to have been the cause. Schalkkopf, who was a well-to-do contractor, was apparently in robust health.

Wood to be Governor of Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Gen. Leonard Wood has been at the War Department for another conference with the Secretary of War. It is not denied by the War Department officials that General Wood will succeed General Brooke as Military Governor of Cuba, but there is a continuation of the report that General Brooke will be relieved by Jan. 1.

THE SEARCH STOPS.

The Right Thing has been found. A Portsmouth Citizen Shows the way.

Once more we are indebted to a Portsmouth citizen for a public statement that throws more light on a subject of ever-increasing interest. People have been deceived by false misrepresentations from time immemorial. No wonder they are skeptical of all claims endorsed by strangers, residing in far-distant parts of the Union. It is no longer necessary to accept such endorsements, for local citizens are giving their testimony, and "an easy matter for any reader to investigate the correctness of such evidence as the following:

Mr. Lemuel White of 20 Bridge street, ex-conductor on the B. & M. R. R. says: "I had something wrong with my kidneys for five years. At first there were pains and aches in the small of my back, then annoyances from the kidney secretions set in and broke my rest at night. I was oppressed with hunger and loss of energy. I thought from reading notices about Doan's Kidney Pills that they might help me and I procured a box at Phillips' pharmacy. They acted on my kidneys right away. The urinary difficulty was first to mend. When on my second box I could sit comfortably and read my paper of an evening without experiencing that jacking of the loins that formerly so severely had failed to stop. I am confident that a better remedy does not exist."

For sale by all dealers; price 50 cents. Foster-McMillan Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

SKUNK FARMING.

Millions in It, According to an Agricultural Department Official.

"There's money in a skunk farm," said an official of the Agricultural Department, "and skunk farming will some day be a great industry in this country. There's a barrel of money in the business, and yet the man who suggested it was regarded as being out of his head. It does not take a prolonged and expensive investigation to demonstrate the truth of what I assert. It is not necessary to send a lot of agents from this department helter-skelter over the country to gather facts and figures. Not a bit. All that is necessary is to get one of the old-time fellows who has spent his life on a farm and in the woods, and who is a close observer of the habits of 'varmints,' and he can give all the information needed."

"An old fellow of this kind can tell you when the first skunk was discovered on the American continent, how often they have young, how many, how they grow, to what age they live, and, as I have said, tell all that is needed. From such information as this it is easy to figure out the facts you wish. Coming from such a source there can be no doubt of its accuracy. "While there are no official statistics on record it is known that skunks the American skunk—will begin breeding at one year old. They breed twice each year, and have litters of from five to thirteen, an average of eight to a litter. It is said that skunks can live on as little as any known animal, so there is little expense in raising them. They are of a different disposition to the coon, squirrel and many other small animals, in that they cannot be tamed, and I do not suppose that many people would care to have one as a pet."

"There are two distinct species of the American skunk—the jet black and the black and white striped. The pelts of the latter can always be sold for \$1. The oil from the skunk is worth 50 cents an ounce, and is used in several cases of croup, colds and kidney diseases. The oil does not have the unpleasant aroma of the skunk."

"Now, it has been figured out that a man who understands skunk farming can begin on twenty skunks—fifteen females and five males—and in a few years he will have a large and very healthy bank account. It is easy to cultivate how rapidly these twenty skunks will increase in number. If you begin operations on the farm, the early fall the skunks will breed in December. Right from the jump, estimating the increase at the rate of eight to the litter, you have an increase of 120 skunks. Well, in June they breed again, and at the same ratio of increase at the expiration of one-half year you will have 7,165 skunks. In four years, without mishap, your skunks will have increased to 3,750,000.

"This is a good, big drove of skunks, and, if the pelts are worth \$1 each, the pelts of 200 males skunks would bring in open market \$200, and the oil at 50 cents an ounce would be worth \$500. Then figuring as we did on the fact of skunks, the pelts of which would be worth just as many dollars as skunks killed. The amount of oil gathered from this number of skunks would amount to 23,600 ounces, worth \$11,800. At the expiration of four years you would have killed 1,890,000 male skunks, the pelts of which would be worth \$1,890,000, and the oil—15,120,000 ounces—\$7,560,000, and you would still have 3,750,000 skunks left to continue business with."

"These figures are not at all extravagant, and it will not be long before some of our enterprising citizens will be embarking in the skunk farming business. I do not know of anything which will produce money faster than this, and the beauty of it is that it only takes a small sum to begin with. It takes raising five-cent cotton or any other agricultural pursuit that I know of."—N. Y. Sun.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day

"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by Geo. Hill Druggist Portsmouth.

"Neglected colds make fat graveyards." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup helps men and women to a happy, vigorous old age.

THE MOLINEUX CASE.

What the Prosecution Has Thus Far Proved.

New York, Dec. 8.—Judge, jury, lawyers and experts, to say nothing of the young man on trial for his life, had a half day's reprieve. One of the Molineux jurors wished to attend a funeral, so Recorder Coff ordered that court should not reconvene until 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Messrs. Weeks and Battle, Molineux's counsel, spent the morning in further cross-examination of William J. Kinsley, the expert on handwriting, who yesterday testified that he believed that Molineux had written the "Harper letter," signed H. Cornish. This was the finishing touch of Assistant District Attorney Osborne's "coup" in springing the Harper testimony at the very beginning of the trial. He first proved by direct testimony that Molineux had considered the question of writing to the Stearns patent medicine concern in Detroit for Harper's record, with a view to inducing Harper, for whom, as for Cornish, Molineux felt a great dislike. Then Mr. Osborne clinched the point by getting the expert to identify as in Molineux's handwriting the letter which was sent to Detroit asking about Harper and which was signed "H. Cornish." The mere opinion of the expert might not have had much weight with the jury, but taken in connection with the testimony of Rudolph Boites, that Molineux wanted to write such a letter, it must have some force. There is no question of Cornish having written the letter. In the first place he was very friendly to Harper; in the next place he was well acquainted with the head of the Stearns concern and frequently met him in this city.

Thus it will be seen that the defence felt it very necessary to do all it could to shake the assumption of proof that Molineux wrote this letter. While it has no direct bearing upon the murder of Mrs. Adams—that is to say, there is nothing in it concerning anybody's intention either to kill Mrs. Adams or to send poison to Harry Cornish—still the admission that Molineux forged Cornish's name would be very damaging to his case. The prosecution has in its possession a large number of letters, all of the same nature (requesting a certain kind of patent medicine), many of which are signed with Cornish's name. It is the assertion of the prosecution that Molineux wrote the mail, and it is the expectation to show that the handwriting is the same as that in the package containing the poisoned bromo-seltzer, sent to Cornish, which caused Mrs. Adams' death.

FLOWERS FOR THEIR FRIEND.

Member of the Virginia Legislature Kindly Remembered.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—Frank Hume, member of the House of Delegates from Alexandria county, found on his desk in the House Thursday a magnificent bouquet of American beauty roses, the gift of Coxey's Army.

Mr. Hume is one of the wealthiest merchants of Washington City. When Coxey's Army went there several years ago he conferred with Secretary of War Lambert and President Cleveland, to whom he proposed a plan of dispersing the army to keep them from suffering. His suggestion was to send the men away in batches of one hundred each, as to break up their organization entirely.

This plan met with immediate favor. After the men were sent away, and were scattered through the northern part of Virginia Governor Tyler sent a battalion of State militia to drive them out. The Coxeyites were scattered, and many of the wanderers suffered greatly for food. Then Mr. Hume came to the rescue, and from his wholesale store furnished hundreds of the Coxeyites with food.

Will Contest Settled.

New York, Dec. 8.—It can be stated authoritatively that the skeletons in the Hilton family closet will not be aired, and the contest for the millions of the late Judge and partner of A. T. Stewart has been declared off.

Henry Hilton, whose pursuit of pleasure, so angered Judge Hilton that he cut him off with only \$25,000 of the estate, was valued at \$600,000, has accepted a compromise. Mr. Hilton and his counsel refuse to give the terms of the settlement and it may be they will be permanently withheld from the public.

No End to Family's Grief.

Wabash, Ind., Dec. 8.—Early in the present year John Wyson, of Markie, died of pneumonia, and ever since the family has been supported by public subscription. A month ago the eldest son, Emmett, was seized with pulmonary trouble, and, though his life was saved, he became violently insane. The youngest girl, Cora, aged 7, died of a bronchial affection Saturday, and Thursday the eldest daughter, aged 17, passed away.

Chill Holds On to Moore.

Santiago De Chile, Dec. 8.—The Supreme Court has confirmed the decision of a lower court, allowing the United States for days, the time expiring December 25, in which to present documents to prove the identity and guilt of Frederick T. Moore, arrested here on the charge of embezzling \$33,000 from the National Bank of Commerce of Boston.

THE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 8.—An upward movement of prices was noticed in the Stock Exchange to-day. Gains were moderate, and, excepting Sugar and Delaware, did not exceed a fraction. The Industrial Specialties showed rather wider advances. In the railroads, American Sugar, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western and Minneapolis and St. Louis second preferred were the features.

Cash prices for staples. Wheat, No. 2 red, 73 1/2. Corn, No. 2 mixed, 60 1/2. Oats, No. 2 mixed, 29 1/2. Flour, Minnesota patents, 72 1/2. Cotton, middling, 67 1/2. Sugar, granulated, 5 1/2. Coffee, No. 7 Rio, 37. Eggs, family, 12 1/2. Beef, hams, 23 1/2. Tallow, prime, 10 1/2. Pork, mess, 9 1/2. Hogs, dressed, 16 1/2 lb., 10 1/2. Lard, prime, 5 1/2. Iron, Northern No. 1 foundry, 23.00. Butter, Western creamery, 27.

TO RUSH CURRENCY BILL.

This Measure to be Taken Up in the House Monday.

WILL BE SPECIAL ORDER.

A Committee on Rules to Control the Subject is Named by the Speaker—No Date Yet Fixed for a Vote—Committee on Privileges and Election to Pass on Quay Case.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The Republican and Democratic leaders attempted to perfect an agreement for the debate of the financial bill, which is to begin next Monday, but the negotiations failed. The Republican leaders then decided to resort to a special rule to be brought in at once.

Mr. Overstreet (Indiana), who is to have charge of the bill, introduced the formal resolution for a special order, upon which the Committee on Rules will act. It provides for the consideration of the bill, beginning Monday and continuing by the Committee on Rules.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the Committee on Rules, as follows: The Speaker, Mr. Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, Republicans, and Messrs. Richardson, of Tennessee, and Mr. Bailey, of Texas, Democrats.

A Day in the Senate.

Washington, Dec. 8.—An invitation has been extended through President pro tem Frye to the Senate to attend the George Washington centennial memorial services, to be held in this city Thursday, December 14, under the auspices of the Improved Order of Red Men. Senator Dewey is to deliver the oration.

Mr. Chandler (New Hampshire) offered resolutions instructing the Committee on Privileges and Elections to investigate the right of William A. Clark, of Montana, and Nathan B. Scott, of West Virginia, to seats in the Senate and to take testimony. The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Contingent Expenses.

Mr. Berry, of Arkansas, offered a joint resolution in favor of the election of United States Senators by the people, and gave notice that at a later date he would address the Senate upon the subject.

After discussing the bill offered by Mr. Chandler to increase the efficiency of physical training at the West Point and Annapolis Naval Academies, the Senate adjourned until Monday. The bill was referred to the naval committee.

To Hear Counsel on Quay's Rights.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections has arranged the preliminaries for the consideration of the protest against Senator Quay, Clark and Scott.

In the Quay case it was decided to hear counsel on Saturday, the 16th inst., and that the hearing should be concluded on that date. Former Senator Belmont and Hon. Jeremiah Wilson, of counsel for the remonstrants, were present, and stated that the time selected would be satisfactory to them. Only legal questions were involved in this case, and no witnesses will be heard.

The preliminary preparations on the Clark and Scott cases were placed in the hands of Senators Chandler and Pettus. They were authorized to decide for the committee what persons should be summoned and when they should be heard.

The New Canal Bill.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Representative Hepburn has re-introduced in the House his bill for the construction of the Nicaragua canal. It has been changed so as to provide for the control of the canal and not for the full ownership and jurisdiction of the territory through which it passes, as the similar bill last session.

The annual report of the Maritime Canal Company, of Nicaragua, was presented in which it is claimed to have spent \$4,000,000 in work but was prevented by the imposition of the protest from fulfilling its contract. Protests have been filed with the Secretary of State against plans to freeze out the company.

After a short session the House adjourned because of the death of Representative-elect William L. Green, of Nebraska.

Wants Postoffices United.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—First Assistant Postmaster General Heath and Postmaster Van Cott of New York are to have a conference on the details of the bill to be introduced in Congress to provide improved postal facilities for Greater New York.

Mr. Van Cott has already drawn up a bill, which he sent to the Post Office Department for the comments of the officials. It was confined simply to a provision for an up-town post office. Mr. Heath returned it with a recommendation that it be expanded so as to embrace all of the postal facilities needed in the greater city. Then an appointment for an interview was made.

Released Condit Killed.

Pacheco, Ky., Dec. 8.—A call was received here Thursday afternoon from Vienna, Ill., for a bloodhound to be used in tracing the assassin of James Winchester. Winchester had just been released from prison at Chester, where he served a term for manslaughter. While sitting by the fire at his home with his family around him, all happy in his return, some one thrust a gun through the window and fired. The ball struck Winchester in the head, killing him almost instantly. There is no clue to the murderer, though it is thought that he was a relative of the man Winchester killed.

Child Has a Bull in His Brain.

Newark, Ohio, Dec. 8.—While playing with a revolver James Matheny's nine-year-old son accidentally shot his six-year-old brother Washington in the forehead. The wounded child is not only conscious, but he expresses a desire to play. A twenty-five-caliber bullet is imbedded in his brain five inches from the surface.

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Have for many years been the popular family medicine wherever the English language is spoken, and they now stand without a rival for Bilious and Nervous Disorders, Wind, Flatulency, Stomach, Sick Headache, Fulness after meals, Dizziness, Brows, Constipation and Sallow Complexion. These afflictions all arise from a disordered or abused condition of the stomach and liver. Beecham's Pills, taken as directed, will quickly restore females to complete health. They promptly remove any obstruction or irregularity of the system.

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The Company's properties consist of several thousand acres of TESTED OIL PROPERTY in Ohio and West Virginia, having a monthly production of nearly 10,000 barrels. It is now negotiating for a number of oil wells, which when secured will give them a Monthly Yield of about 30,000 Barrels; which will more than double the net profits of the Company applicable for dividends.

COPY OF BUCKEYE PIPE LINE COMPANY'S STATEMENT.

CLEVELAND, August 28th, 1907.

CHARLES A. POST, Treasurer, etc.

DEAR SIR:—Confirming my telegram of this A. M., I beg to say that your Company had run for its credit during April 5,143.64 barrels, May 5,529.36 barrels, June 5,063.18 barrels, July 5,049.46 barrels. There appears to be one run made in July not credited to your account until August, owing to absence of Division order. Therefore, if you desire to be more accurate you should add 146.93 to the amount of that run to the credit during July, making the total for the month 5,196.39 barrels.

Yours truly, R. L. BATES, Agent.

The above statement refers only to our Ohio field, the balance of the pipeline certificates can be seen at the Company's office, showing the West Virginia returns. The total average of oil territory under negotiations aggregates 25,000 acres of land distributed throughout the well known "oil producing fields" of Ohio and West Virginia.

Net Earnings, \$225,000 Per Annum.

With the price of oil increasing almost daily the net earnings of the Company during the next year, should not fall short of \$225,000. For the rapid development of the Company's property, the officers have decided to sell Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) shares of the Treasury Stock at par, \$5.00, after which the price will be advanced without notice.

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SALE AND LIVERY BUSINESS

THE HERALD.

SATURDAY, DEC. 9, 1899.

CITY BRIEFS.

It was not so warm this morning. December thus far has had no terrors.

The police will give the public a few surprises.

Stating parties will be out tonight for the first time.

Conner, photographer studio, (formerly Nickerson's,) No. 1 Congress street.

The police were called upon to settle a family dispute on McDonough street, Friday evening.

Edward Wheeler has been transferred from the Rye Beach life saving station to Jerry's Point.

The "S. G." Londres is made of the choicest stock and is the best ten cent cigar in the market.

Rubber heels become very popular and John G. Mott is fitting out the local public with an excellent article.

The committee on fire department met on Friday evening and considered the location of a fire alarm box on South street.

Channey B. Hoyt was on Friday drawn as a grand juror at the term of the United States court at Concord, December 19th.

Fifteen rounds of the Sharkey-Jeffries contest will be shown at the close of the regular play at Music hall every evening next week.

The work of removing the old scrap from the remains of the Newmarket is being rushed along in expectation of future use of the ferry ship.

The body of Miss Ella Vincent Shea who died at Cambridge, Mass., was brought here, and the funeral services held at the Church of the Immaculate Conception yesterday morning. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery.

The new turntable of the Boston and Maine railroad, which is to be placed at the round house, arrived last evening. It is a monster, being sixty feet long. It was built at the Boston Bridge company's establishment in Charlestown, and it took two flat cars to bring it to this city.

The clerk of the United States court and United States marshal are engaged in packing up the United States records, in this city, preparatory to their removal to Concord, where they will be placed in iron vaults in the clerk's office. The records date from 1790 up to the present time, and the removal is made under a special appropriation made by the department of justice.

NAVAL VETERANS' ELECTION.

At the meeting of Kearsarge Association, Naval Veterans, held on Friday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Captain, G. H. Tripp;
Commander, John Jones;
Lieut. Commander, James Moran;
Master, John Hayes;
Chaplain, W. Hudson;
Surgeon, T. W. Priest;
Paymaster, J. W. Watkins;
Secretary, A. Shreeter;
Boatswain, John Sullivan;
National Aide, W. Scott Smith.

LIKE FINDING MONEY.

The use of the Endless Chain Starch Book in the purchase of "Red Cross" and "Hubinger's Best" starch, makes it only like finding money. Why, for only 5c you are enabled to get one large 10c package of "Red Cross" starch, one large 10c package of "Hubinger's Best" starch with the premiums, two Shakespeare panels, printed in twelve beautiful colors, or one Twentieth Century Girl Calendar, embossed in gold. Ask your grocer for this starch and obtain the beautiful Christmas presents free.

FUNERAL OF MISS PIERCE.

The funeral of Miss Abbie Pierce was held at the home, 41 Highland street, at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the presence of a large gathering of the friends and relatives. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. William Warren of the Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member. The interment was in the Harmony Grove cemetery by Undertaker Nickerson.

Y. M. C. A. SERVICE TOMORROW.

Tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock, Mr. F. W. Welsh, president of the Boston Endeavor Union will address a meeting in the chapel of the North church. There will be music by the quartette from the same church. The service will be in charge of the Young Men's Association, and the public are cordially invited.

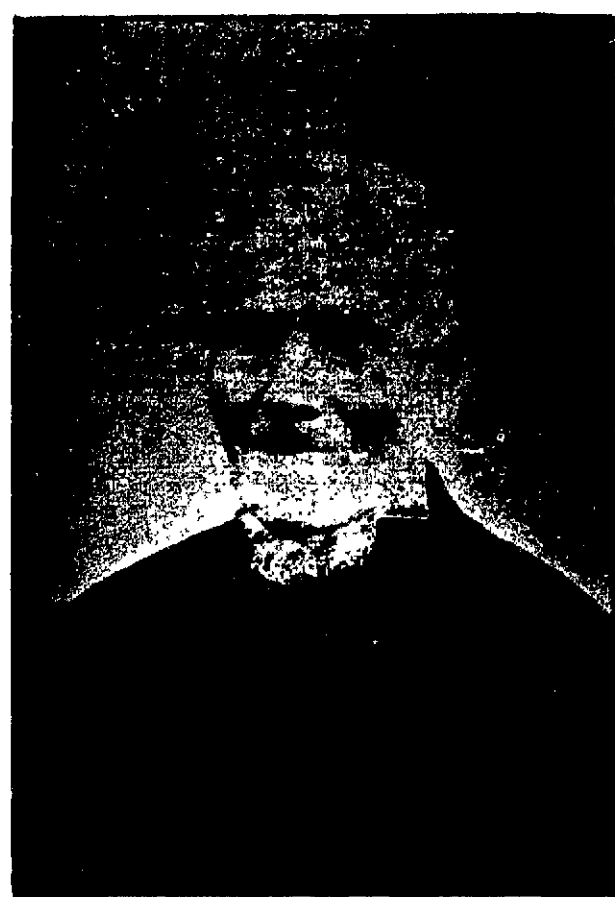
A BIG SALE.

The tickets for the Jessie Harcourt company went on sale Friday and there was a rush. The indications point to a standing room only business.

IS 103 YEARS OLD TODAY.

James Wood Is The Oldest Man In
New Hampshire.

It is seldom that one has an opportunity to record a century of life to a



THE VENERABLE JAMES WOOD, 103 YEARS OLD TODAY.

human being, so that when the years are added to this extraordinary space of time, each anniversary is an event of unusual interest and the person who may have seen this excess of existence is an object of great attention.

Such a person is the venerable James Wood of Jefferson street, who today

STEWART FAMILY TROUBLES.

Police Court Called Upon to Regulate
Their Affairs.

There was a war of words accompanied by the throwing and breaking of dishes, a bombardment of rocks, a disturbance to the neighbors and a visit of the police to the home of the Stewarts on Brewster street Friday afternoon. There was also a police court this morning as a result.

Mrs. Mary Stewart, a woman of very few words, was arraigned for a brawl and tumult. Her husband testified that for half an hour the air in the neighborhood was rather blue with cries of "murder," obscene and profane language and flying things from the kitchen closet.

She was found guilty by Judge Adams, who presided, and ordered to be confined at the county house in Brentwood for a term of six months and to pay costs of prosecution, the same to be suspended until further complaints.

Her husband, Charles Stewart, and a son, Norman Stewart, were charged with committing an assault on her but the court was not satisfied with the evidence and discharged both.

In case of more complaints about the Stewarts, the house will be classed as disorderly by the police and the occupants will be arraigned as maintaining such.

THREE MORE COMPANIES.

Rush of Organizers to Kittery The
Past Week.

There has been considerable of an increase in the number of stock companies organized at Kittery during the past week and in addition to these heretofore reported, are the following under the Maine statutes:

The Walker-Gordon company organized for the purpose of conducting a drug business, with \$100,000 capital stock, of which \$150 is paid in. The officers are: President, G. H. Walker of Boston; treasurer, J. H. Waterhouse of Wakefield, Mass.

The Webster Times company organized for the purpose of publishing, with \$20,000 capital stock, of which nothing is paid in. The officers are: President, E. S. Hall of Boston; treasurer, Roland Litchfield of Boston. Certificate approved, Dec. 5, 1899.

The Massachusetts Graphite company for the purpose of acquiring certain mines in Massachusetts, with \$500,000 capital stock, of which \$500 is paid in. The officers are: President, E. S. Hall of Boston; treasurer, Roland Litchfield of Boston. Certificate approved, Dec. 5, 1899.

QUARTERLY DINNER.

Mechanics' Fire Society at the Rock-
ingham, Friday Evening.

The quarterly dinner of the Mechanics' Fire society was held in the Colonial dining room at the Rockingham on Friday evening, the host being Mr. Fred H. Ward.

The members sat down to one of the usual elegant spreads under the direction of Mr. W. K. Hill, the manager, and the evening was a very pleasant one.

reaches the extreme old age of one hundred and three years, almost active in mind and body and the oldest person in all New England. Since Mr. Wood passed the century mark the closing of the additional years have almost amounted to a public demonstration and the residents of this city are most

MORE RAIDS PROMISED.

All Questionable Places Will Be In-
vestigated Probably Soon.

It now looks as though every house of questionable character in the city would be investigated by the police, and if the officers are of the opinion that a place should be closed it will be closed at once and remain closed for good.

There have been certain incidents that have transpired in the past few days that will probably result in a surprise for several persons and it will become evident to them that the city will be kept free from anything that the public would not tolerate.

The investigation will begin at once probably, and in line with the policy of the authorities inaugurated a short time ago in regard to the road houses.

AROUND THE CITY.

In regard to the strict enforcement of the law against the sale of cigarettes to minors, a local dealer said to the Herald Friday evening that it was not the dealers who supplied the young boys with the articles, but those persons who the boys induce to make the purchase for them and secure the things on the quiet. The dealer says he knows it for a fact that no druggist or other reputable business man who sells the things would let a boy have them under any condition.

This dealer had an experience with a person the other day that convinced him that the dealers were not responsible for youngsters getting these nasty poisons of manhood. The man came into the store and after purchasing cigars bought several boxes of cigarettes. There were several boys who were hanging around the front of the store at the time and as the dealer at once had a suspicion that the youngsters were waiting for the man to leave the place, the fellow was watched. When he left the store the cigarettes were distributed among the waiting boys.

The dealer ran out and before the boys had a chance to use any of the cigarettes made them return the articles and the man who had purchased them was given a little good advice about such transactions and told if he attempted a similar contemptible trick he would be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. It is just such fellows that the police intend to make an example of.

There are some mighty pretty examples of the widow dresser's art to be seen around the city and the present season gives these artists an opportunity to display their skill and aptitude. All of the department stores have excellent arrangements of holiday novelties and the large furniture stores present a rich appearance with the arrays of furnishings. No live merchant has neglected to show up to advantage his stock which this year is sure to be large and consistent to the demands of the season.

Another improvement in the appearance of the windows this year is the use of neatly printed cards, instead of the hand decorated affairs such have been used in years past. They demand more attention than the old affairs and cost no more. They are printed at any job-printing office. The cardboard that would be practically spoiled by the attempt of some amateur artist to draw what he wanted to say, would be a thing of beauty if sent to the printer. It is evident that the wiser of the various store keepers have come to this conclusion.

It is now a common sight to see teams highly loaded with old junk go through the streets and it is said that that every section of the state is being scourged by our Hebrew friends for the stuff, in search of scrap iron of all kinds. The price paid for old junk is the highest for a number of years. Junkmen can get \$10 more a ton for old iron than they did one year ago.

The winter dust has troubled citizens considerably, as it has done for years past, and will continue to do. It wouldn't be so objectionable if it didn't get into our houses and on our garments. That clouds of white dust are not healthy nor pleasant to take into the lungs, even if the public is indifferent about its clothes, must be conceded. The mud is preferable to dry dust.

FUNERAL OF A CHILD.

The funeral services over Helen G. Kimball was held at the home of her parents on Bridge street at 2 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. L. H. Thayer of the North church officiating. The burial was in the Proprietors' cemetery by Undertaker Ham.

Shoe makers are paying more for their leather for taps than for years before.

MONTHLY STATEMENT.

The following is the operation of the Portsmouth water works for the month of November:

Number of days pumping, 24 hours each.....	24
Total number of gallons pumped.....	10,711,700
Average daily consumption of water, gallons.....	1,009,792
Coal consumed in gross tons.....	35 1/2
Gallons of water pumped per pound of coal.....	289
Pump duty in foot pounds, per 100 pounds coal.....	47,750,000
Pounds of water evaporated per pound of coal burned.....	9 4/100
Number of days in which snow or rain fell.....	7
Total rain fall in inches.....	1 98/100
Highest noted temperature on Nov. 10th, at noon plus 5 1/2° F.	
Lowest noted temperature on Nov. 10th, at six A. M. plus 17° F.	

WARNER WHIST CLUB.

One game was played in the Warner whist tournament, on Thursday evening, resulting as follows: Taylor and Shapleigh twenty, Ayers and Churchill nineteen. Oldfield and Young defeated Nicot and Ward twenty to seventeen, and twenty to fourteen on Friday evening.



VISITORS

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